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SUBJECT: FOREIGN OFFICE BRIEFING ON JANUARY 31 EC
FOREIGN MINISTERS MEETING: CYPRUS
REF: LONDON 1511

1. EC FOREIGN MINISTERS AGREED ON THE TEXT OF AN ORAL
MESSAGE FROM THE NINE TO THE US ON CYPRUS WHICH UK
AMBASSADOR RAMSBOTHAM WILL DELIVER IN WASHINGTON.
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THE MAIN POINTS OF THE MESSAGE WHICH ARE FOR THE MOST
PART ENUMERATED IN REFTEL ARE AS FOLLOWS:
-- THE COMMUNITY HAS A CLOSE INTEREST IN A
CYPRUS SOLUTION;
-- IT IS ENCOURAGED THAT THE US ADMINISTRATION
IS GIVING EARLY CONSIDERATION TO WAYS AND MEANS OF
ACHIEVING PROGRESS;

-- THE NINE FULLY SUPPORT KISSINGER'S PRINCIPLES.
ALTHOUGH INDIVIDUAL WORDING MIGHT BE IMPROVED, THOSE
PRINCIPLES REPRESENT A WELL-BALANCED PACKAGE, THE
ESSENTIALS OF WHICH SHOULD BE RETAINED;
-- THE EC IS WILLING TO EXAMINE ANY CHANGES
IN THOSE PRINCIPLES THE US ADMINISTRATION MIGHT
SUGGEST;
-- IT IS NECESSARY TO ENCOURAGE BOTH SIDES IN
THE DISPUTE TO TAKE A NEW VIEW OF THE PROBLEM. THERE
ARE SOME SIGNS OF THEIR FLEXIBILITY. PROGRESS
SHOULD CONTINUE TO BE ACHIEVED THROUGH THE INTER-
COMMUNAL TALKS UNDER THE AEGIS OF THE UN SECRETARY
GENERAL;
-- THE COMMUNITY BELIEVES AN EARLY INITIATIVE
BY THE NINE AND/OR RPT AND/OR THE US ACTING IN
CONSULTATION WITH EACH OTHER IS DESIRABLE;
-- THE NINE WOULD WELCOME DISCUSSION WITH THE
US, AS A MATTER OF URGENCY, CONCERNING AN INITIATIVE
BASED ON THE PRINCIPLES WHICH WOULD AIM AT RE-LAUNCHING
THE INTER-COMMUNAL TALKS;
-- BUT, THE EC ACCEPTS THAT THIS CONSULTATION
CANNOT TAKE PLACE UNTIL AFTER THE VISIT TO CYPRUS BY
PRESIDENT CARTER'S EMISSARY. THE NINE ARE GRATIFIED
THAT SUCH AN EMISSARY IS BEING NOMINATED AND THAT
HE WILL VISIT CYPRUS SOON.

2. ALTHOUGH THERE WAS SOME ARGUMENT AMONG THE FOREIGN
MINISTERS, THEY AGREED TO ACCEPT THE POLITICAL
DIRECTORS' RECOMMENDATION THAT THE TURKS BE GIVEN TWO
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TO THREE MONTHS TO PREPARE THEIR REBUTTAL TO THE
REPORT ON TURKISH ATROCITIES ON CYPRUS.

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